

**Virginia Departments of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) and Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS)**

**Notice of Public Comment Period**

Under 42 CFR Part 430, 431, 435, 436, 440, 441, and 447 and the Final Rule under Part 430 et al. in the January 16, 2014 issue of the Federal Register, notice is hereby given that the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) and Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) will welcome public comments regarding the submission to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) a statewide transition plan for six 1915(c) home and community based waivers: Intellectual Disability Waiver; Individuals and Families with Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver; Day Support Waiver; Elderly or Disabled with Consumer Direction Waiver; Alzheimer's Assisted Living Waiver; and Technology Assisted Waiver.

The intent of the transition plan is to bring waiver services into compliance with the setting requirements contained in the CMS Final Rule on Home and Community Based Settings (79 FR 2947) by March 2019.

This notice also serves to open the 30 day public comment period, which begins on February 5, 2015 and closes March 8, 2015 at 5:00pm Eastern Standard Time (EST). The statewide transition plan can be located at:

- Statewide Waiver Transition Plan:  
[http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content\\_pgs/HCBS.aspx](http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content_pgs/HCBS.aspx) OR  
<http://www.dbhds.virginia.gov/professionals-and-service-providers/developmental-disability-services-for-providers>; OR contact DMAS at 804-786-7029 and request that a copy of the Plan be mailed.

**Instructions for Public Comment Submission:**

**Electronic Submission-** comments may be sent within the body of an email or placed within a Microsoft Word document and submitted as an email attachment to:

[HCBSComments@dmas.virginia.gov](mailto:HCBSComments@dmas.virginia.gov) OR [MyLifeMyCommunity@dbhds.virginia.gov](mailto:MyLifeMyCommunity@dbhds.virginia.gov).

Or, submit via US postal mail to:

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600 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219  
ATT: HCBS Final Rule

Or, Fax to: Teri Morgan, 804-612-0050